

Official news about the City of Cedar Park from the City of Cedar Park.



Governor's and Counties' Orders **Update**

Starting today, the Governor's Orders allowing Retail-to-Go went into effect. These State Orders allow customers to purchase items from a retail location for pickup, delivery by mail or delivery to a customer's doorstep. For more information, including the State's guide for retailers and customers, click here.

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The Governor's most recent Order allows

surgeries and closes schools for the remainder of this academic year. The Stay Home Stay Safe Orders remain in effect at the County level.

We get it. It can be confusing, having a both a State Order and two different County Orders all in effect, as Cedar Park is situated in both Williamson County and Travis County. We encourage everyone to know the County in which you reside, and to follow your County's Order as well as the State Order.

Keep up-to-date on all of these Orders and new information by visiting here.

Questions on Stay Home Stay Safe Orders?

Williamson County 512-943-1600 M-F: 8 - 5, Sa: 8 - 2, Su: CLOSED

COVID-19@wilco.org

Travis County 512-974-2000

WarnCentralTexas.org WarnCentralTexas

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Springtime is severe weather time and the City of Cedar Park

wants you to stay informed. Please take a moment to make sure you are registered with WarnCentralTexas to receive emergency alerts and official information about severe weather conditions, other emergencies and important instructions from the City of Cedar Park. WarnCentralTexas is the official emergency notification tool of the City of Cedar Park. With WarnCentralTexas you can opt in to receive text messages, mobile and/or landline phone calls and/or e-mails.

The Parks Severe Weather Alert System (PSWAS)

The City has strategically installed its three outdoor severe weather warning sirens in its largest and most widely-used regional parks: Elizabeth Milburn Park, Veterans Memorial Park and Brushy Creek Sports Park. The Parks Severe Weather Alert System (PSWAS), is manually triggered by emergency personnel in the event of a confirmed sighting of a tornado in the immediate area or if emergency personnel can confirm that the threat of severe weather to the area is imminent through an official warning. Those who hear the sirens outside of the testing times (first Wednesdays at noon) should leave the outdoor areas and seek shelter immediately. The sirens may possibly be overheard by those who live in the surrounding areas but they are not designed to be heard indoors, and therefore should not be used as a primary means of notification outside of these parks.

We encourage everyone to sign up to receive emergency alerts via home phone call, mobile phone call, text message and e-mail through our notification system, WarnCentralTexas.

EMERGENCY PREPARATION SUPPLIES SALES TAX HOLIDAY April 25-27, 2020

If you have been thinking about buying a generator, weather radio, carbon monoxide detector, fire extinguisher or other emergency supply, many of these items are tax-free April 25-27, 2020. Get all the information on what supplies qualify here.





You may be staying indoors, but thieves aren't. Don't be easy prey. Be sure you are locking your car doors even while you are home.

From March 1 to April 22, 2020, Cedar Park had 65 vehicle burglaries reported to the Cedar Park Police Department. 73% of them were from unlocked cars.

While you are checking the doors on your house each night to be sure they are locked, don't forget to check those car doors and remove any valuables you may have in your vehicle.

Don't fall for a stimulus check scam!

Scammers posing as government officials are trying to trick you into turning over banking information to receive your stimulus checks.

Please note:

- You will NOT be contacted by telephone or email asking for personal information
- Checks will be distributed automatically
- If someone calls you about this, HANG UP
- If someone emails you about this, DON'T RESPOND



The IRS has also launched a Get My Payment section on their website you may find helpful.

Still need to file your taxes? The Treasury Department and Internal Revenue Service have extended the federal income tax filing due date to July 15, 2020.

Help for small businesses

We know it can be hard to keep up with all the changes happening for small businesses during this challenging time. The Cedar Park Chamber of Commerce is a great resource for all Cedar Park Business information and assistance that is available. Find out more on their website.

Cedar Park Chamber of Commerce





We have received a few questions about when the City Council Elections originally scheduled in May will be taking place. Out of concern for the citizens of Cedar Park during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and pursuant to Governor Abbott's Proclamation suspending certain provisions of the Texas Election Code, the City of Cedar Park City Council approved postponement of the May City Council Election to November, which was the only option offered at the time of the decision. City Council is considering other date options, should they become available. We will keep you informed of the date of the City Council Election when finalized. All positions on our City Council are at-large, meaning no Council Member represents a specific area or district of the City. See our City Elections page for more information.



The April 23, 2020 Regular Scheduled City Council Meeting was entirely remote, with City Council Members as well as members of the public participating in a video conference call.

Council discussed, among other items:

- City of Cedar Park's COVID-19
 Declaration of Local State of Disaster
- Joining other cities in a letter to Governor Abbott, to consider additional date options (besides November) for the May 2, 2020 General Election that is postponed
- An update of the Small Business
 Assistance Program, which distributed a total of \$200,000 in grants to 63 small businesses in Cedar Park

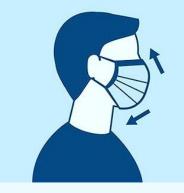
Watch the video recording of the meeting here.

The next City Council Meeting will be May 14, 2020

Important Reminders



The term social distancing has been used a lot lately. That doesn't mean you can't talk to your friends, family or loved ones. We can help each other get through this—from a safe physical distance. So pick up the phone or fire up your computer and chat with your favorite people!



The CDC has updated recommendations on public use of cloth face coverings. Cloth face coverings are an additional measure to reduce the spread of COVID-19, you should still stay at least 6 feet away from others and frequently wash your hands.



Your at-risk and senior neighbors need you—but they also need to stay healthy. When assisting them, make sure to get shopping lists by phone, text or email and leave items on the porch. Find more resources for senior or at risk residents here. We ♥ Cedar Park neighbors helping neighbors.







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Finding creative ways to teach the kids?

Becoming an expert cat groomer?

Becoming a painter? Tell us what you and the fam are doing so other Cedar Parkians can get inspired. We're all going to get through this together!

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Share your I ♥ Cedar Park stories with us HERE or on social.

Helpful Links and Information

- Community resources for senior residents or those at high-risk: Find the list on our website here.
- **Sign up for Smart 9-1-1 Today:** Just by providing as little information as your home address can make a difference during an emergency. Fill out your profile here.
- Find updates, current case counts, resources and more on all things COVID-19 on the City website here.
- City services are still available to you:
 - City Lobbies City staff still available. <u>Click here</u> for contact information on each department.
 - Police Department lobby Contact 9-1-1 for emergencies. Call 512-260-4600 for other assistance
 - Fire lobby Contact 9-1-1 for emergencies. Call 512-401-5216 or 512-401-5222

for other assistance

- **Library** Digital materials available <u>cedarparktexas.gov/digital</u>. Contact by phone at 512-401-5600
- Parks & Recreation Center Contact by phone at 512-401-5500

COVID-19 Links

Centers for Disease Control | Texas Health and Human Services | World Health Organization | Office of the Texas Governor | Williamson County | Williamson County and City Heath Districts | Travis County | City of Cedar Park | LISD | RRISD

The City of Cedar Park | CedarParkTexas.gov







